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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: ILO

SUBJECT: FORMAL NOTIFICATION LETTER RE US WITHDRAWAL FROM
THE ILO

REF: GENEVA 9753

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER DATED NOVEMBER 3 FROM THE
SECRETARY TO ILO DIRECTOR GENERAL BLANCHARD, WHICH IS
BEING POUCHED TO GENEVA. TEXT OF LETTER MAY BE
RELEASED TO BLANCHARD.

"DEAR MR. DIRECTOR GENERAL:

ON NOVEMBER 6 THE NOTICE PROVIDED IN SECRETARY KISSINGER'S
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LETTER OF NOVEMBER 5, 1975, WILL TAKE EFFECT AND THE UNITED
STATES WILL WITHDRAW FROM THE ILO.

THE DECISION TO LEAVE THE ILO WAS TAKEN WITH GREAT RELUCT-
ANCE. AS SUGGESTED IN OUR NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL, THE US
DOES NOT WANT TO LEAVE THE ILO AND WOULD NOT DO SO IF
CONDITIONS HAD CHANGED TO MAKE OUR EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION

POSSIBLE. AS YOU KNOW, WE MADE A CONCERTED EFFORT DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS TO RALLY OTHER ILO MEMBERS TO SUPPORT US IN AN EFFORT TO PUT A HALT TO THE HARMFUL TRENDS WHICH

HAVE ADVERSELY AFFECTED THE ORGANIZATION IN RECENT YEARS. UNFORTUNATELY, WE WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL.

YOU ARE WELL AWARE OF THE CONCERNS WHICH LED TO OUR NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL. WE HAD HOPED THAT SOME TANGIBLE SIGNS OF PROGRESS COULD BE ACHIEVED WHICH WOULD PERSUADE US THAT WE CONTINUED TO SHARE A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST WITH A MAJORITY OF MEMBERS REGARDING THE ILO'S PRINCIPLES AND PURPOSE. PRIOR TO THE LAST INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE, IT APPEARED THAT OUR EFFORTS MIGHT BE SUCCESSFUL. WE WERE DISAPPOINTED, HOWEVER, AT THE 63RD SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE. THE FAILURE OF THE CONFERENCE TO APPROVE THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE APPLICATION OF CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS--ONLY THE SECOND TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE ILO--WAS ESPECIALLY DISAPPOINTING. THIS AND OTHER NEGATIVE RESULTS OF THE CONFERENCE HAVE BEEN CRUCIAL TO OUR DECISION TO WITHDRAW FROM THE ILO.

WE LEAVE THE ILO WITH THE HOPE THAT CONDITIONS WILL IMPROVE SO THAT WE CAN RETURN. TO THIS END, WE PLAN TO MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE ORGANIZATION AND ITS MEMBERS.

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WITH WARM REGARDS,

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) CYRUS VANCE VANCE

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Message Attributes

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